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MR. SPEAKER :—" The present question is about Food Production Department. The hon. Member may give notice of a separate question."

SRI P. V. R. GAJAPATHI RAJU :—" The Hon. Minister was pleased to say in reply to a supplementary question about producer-*cum*-consumer co-operative societies that those who produced would also consume. Probably he meant the individual producer and the individual consumer, whereas the question was about collective production and collective consumption. Therefore, I would like to ask the Government whether they will take steps to revitalise the P.C.C. societies so that they may increase food production? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The P.C.C. societies have nothing to do with the Food Production Department, and that is why I gave that answer."

SRI P. S. RANGASAMY NAIDU :—" The Hon. the Finance Minister said in his Budget speech that the relief works would be continued till the next harvest season. Then, why are Food Production works stopped in my district? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" That statement relates to famine relief works. But this question relates to Food Production Department."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" We have been told that even those schemes on the investigation of which some money had been spent have been stopped. The point is whether the Hon. Minister is prepared to take up those schemes which have already been sanctioned by the Food Production Department though actual execution of the work has not yet been started. I hope the Hon. Minister will say that they will be continued."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" They will be continued, but not this year."

Reversion of certain Sub-Inspectors of Police in the Southern range.

* 103 Q.—SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of acting Sub-Inspectors of Police that have been reverted in the Southern Range district-war; and

(*b*) the reasons for the same?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" (*a*)

District.	Number reverted.
South Arcot	5
Tanjore	9
Madurai Rural	11
Madurai Urban	5
Ramanathapuram	12
Tirunelveli	10

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"(b) Because directly recruited Sub-Inspectors, who were till recently under-represented completed their training and took charge of stations."

10-45 a.m. SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that out of the 52 Sub-Inspectors who have been reverted, many Sub-Inspectors have put in a service of seven to ten years, will the Hon. the Chief Minister consider the desirability of looking into their cases and see that those Sub-Inspectors who have put in long and useful service are retained as Sub-Inspectors? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, I find on looking into the matter that for some years before 1949 a large number of acting posts of Sub-Inspectors had been allowed to be filled by promotions from Head Constables, and that new recruitment had not been done for quite a number of years. But now about 200 Sub-Inspectors have left the College in October 1951, and they have to be taken and provided with places according to the rules. According to the rules already settled, 30 per cent of the Sub-Inspectors' places are available for promotion from Head Constables and the rest are to be occupied by regularly trained candidates from the Police Training College. Therefore, it would be undesirable to maintain the old method of Head Constables being in charge of Sub-Inspectors' places beyond this 30 per cent. But there may be a few deserving cases, as mentioned by the hon. Member. We are looking into the matter whether we can provide places for them somewhere. There are four Ranges in the Police Department, and in all the Ranges, the 30 per cent rule has been maintained. It has never gone below that percentage. But in the case of some of these people who have acted as Sub-Inspectors, some attempt will be made to provide for the best of them."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Sir, is the Hon. the Chief Minister aware of the anomalies prevailing in certain places, e.g., in the South Arcot district, namely, that while Head Constables promoted to act as Sub-Inspectors are reverted for some reason or other, recruitment of Head Constables to the Police Training College for being trained as Sub-Inspectors is still going on? If so, how are the Head Constables to improve their prospects? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It is a question of general policy, Sir, whether the Sub-Inspectors' posts should be taken by Head Constables or by those who are qualified. There is a great difference between the two classes of people. The whole scheme was based on the notion that higher classes of people should be recruited as Sub-Inspectors and kept in charge of the responsible positions pertaining to that job. Still for the Head Constables—or for the best of them—30 per cent has been reserved. I submit that it is a fair distribution, and the hon. Member should be satisfied with it. But if we are to provide more and more posts for Head Constables, it is felt by the Government that the general administration of the Police Department would deteriorate."

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SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Will the Hon. the Chief Minister assure this House that in the matter of recruitment to the Police Force, the communal Government Order of the Madras State is strictly adhered to? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The communal Government Order to which the hon. Member has made reference, has been vacated by the judgment of the Supreme Court. There is now a reservation scheme for Backward Classes and Scheduled Castes. If a separate question is put, I can answer. Just now I am not able to say whether the Police Department is covered by it or not."

SRI A. GOVINDASAMY NAYAGAR :—" May I know, Sir, the names of the Sub-Inspectors reverted in South Arcot district and the communities to which they belong? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" If the hon. Member wants the names of the persons reverted, I am sorry I cannot oblige him straightway. But even if the hon. Member intends to put a question later, I would ask him not to ask for names. What is the object in knowing the names? "

Panchayat court at Pudukkottai town.

* 104 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(a) whether a panchayat court was functioning in Pudukkottai Town prior to the merger of the State and some time after merger;

(b) whether it has ceased to function for some years past; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" (a) to (c) The Government have no information but have called for it."

Protected water-supply scheme for Uravakonda town.

* 105 Q.—SRI S. NARAYANAPPA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the scheme of protected water-supply to Uravakonda town, I Grade Panchayat in Anantapur district, has finally been sanctioned;

(b) whether the scheme has been included in the year 1952–53 for execution;

(c) what are the important details of the sanctioned scheme including the cost of the scheme, the ultimate population that will be served and the number of gallons per head;

(d) the amount of grant that the Government propose to give the panchayat; and

(e) when the execution of the scheme will commence?